

Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth

Gubernatorial Appointment Oath of Office Form

PLEASE NOTE:

Before entering upon your official duties, you are required by Section 49-1 of the *Code of Virginia* to take this oath as an officer of the Commonwealth. Pursuant to Section 49-3 of the *Code of Virginia*, you may be sworn in by a judge, clerk, or deputy clerk of a **court of record**; a judge of a district court; the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or a State Corporation Commissioner. Courts of record include the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and any of the Commonwealth's thirty-one Judicial Circuit Courts. Nonresidents may take the oath before a Justice of the Peace, or equivalent, in their state of residence.

The oath must be taken using your exact name and board name as shown on your commission. Please note that Circuit Courts will require presentation of your letter of appointment before proceeding.

Please IMMEDIATELY return the original of this oath to: Secretary of the Commonwealth, Post Office Box 2454, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2454, or in person to 1111 East Broad Street, 4th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge all of the duties incumbent on me as:

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according to the best of my ability; (so help me God).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_

on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, took and subscribed the oath required by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia to qualify him or her to discharge the duties as

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title (Judge, Clerk, Deputy Clerk of a court of record, Judge of a District Court, Secretary or Deputy Secretary of the ` Commonwealth, or State Corporation Commissioner)

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Court (Circuit, District, Supreme Court of Virginia or Federal Court)

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City or County